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In re Continued Prosecution Application of (YASUO YOSHIOKA)

Serial No.: 09/181,021

Filed: October 27, 1998

For: CONVERTING APPARAUS OF VOICE SIGNAL BY MODULATION OF FREQUENCIES AND AMPLITUDES OF SINUSOIDAL WAVE

COMPONENTS

Group Art Unit: 2741

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REQUEST FOR FILING OF CONTINUATION APPLICATION AS CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.53(d))

Box CPA Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

- 1. [X] The applicant hereby requests the filing of a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), Continued Prosecution Application (CPA), of the above-identified parent application.
- 2. [X] Statement of Copendency: The applicant has received a Final Office Action dated December 5, 2000. In view of the accompanying Petition for Extension of time, the due date for response is June 5, 2001. Accordingly, there is copendancy between this CPA and its parent application.
- 3 a. [] Kindly enter in this CPA the _____ Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 filed in the parent application, but unentered therein.

b. [X] Kindly enter in this CPA the accompanying Preliminary Amendment. 00000010 033975 09181021

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4. The filing fee is calculated as follows, and is based on the number of claims after entry of the accompanying Preliminary Amendment:

CALCULATION OF FEES							
ITEM		NO. OF CLAIMS FILED MINUS BASE*		NO. OF CLAIMS OVER BASE	X SM/LG ENTITY FEE	\$ AMOUNT	\$ FEE
А	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	35	- 20* =	15	X \$9 or X \$18	\$270	
В	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE**	6	- 3* =	3	X \$40 or X 80	\$240	
С	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						\$510
D	SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$138.00 MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$260.00						\$0
E	SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$355.00 BASIC FEE* LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$710.00						\$710
F	EXTENSION OF TIME (THREE MONTHS)						\$870
G	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C. D. E AND F)						\$2,090

- 5. [X] A check covering the CPA filing fee in the amount of \$710.00 accompanies this Request. A separate check covering the fees for additional claims in the amount of \$510.00 also accompanies this Request. A separate check covering the fees for the extension of time in the amount of \$870.00 also accompanies this Request.
- 6. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 03-3975. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 7. [X] Kindly abandon the above-identified parent application as of the filing date granted to this Continued Prosecution Application.
- 8. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to <u>Yamaha Corporation</u>.
- 9. [X] Priority of Japanese patent application No. 9-296050 filed October 28, 1997, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

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10. [X] Please address all future communications to:

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June <u>\$\infty\$</u>, 2001

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the following documents:

X Preliminary Amendment

Letter of transmittal – Request for Filing of Continuation Application as Continued Prosecution Application (37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)) plus two checks: \$710 for the filing fee and \$510 for the additional claims fees

X Petition for Three Month Extension of Time, plus \$870 as the extension filing fee

X Return postcard

are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service with sufficient postage under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and are addressed to:

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Date of Deposit: 5 June 2001

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